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Security Council

9.45 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

Programme of work

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Other matters

Morning[1]	5577th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Protection of civilians in armed conflict

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

Security Council Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions

3 p.m.	Closed meeting	Consultations Room

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	64th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict [10]
   (a) Letter from Botswana transmitting the report on the progress made towards the implementation of the Kimberly Process Certification Scheme (A/61/589)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.27)
2. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/450) [33]
3. Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/451) [75]
4. Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/452) [76]

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Security Council

The presidency of the Security Council for the month of December 2006 (Qatar) will hold a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of December, on *Monday, 4 December 2006* at 12 noon, following the consultations of the whole, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). Delegations can view the press briefing in Studio 4 located in the First Basement.

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Security Council

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/sc/>), in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council dated 19 July 2006 (S/2006/507). Copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' pick-up areas, *as of Monday, 4 December 2006*.

5. Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-ninth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/453) [77]

6. Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/454) [78]

7. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/455) [79]

8. The rule of law at the national and international levels: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/456) [80]

9. Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/457) [100]

10. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/458) [110]

11. Programme planning: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/459) [118]

12. Administration of justice at the United Nations: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/460) [128]

13. Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/461) [148]

14. Requests for observer status in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/462) [153]

15. Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/61/L.16) [44]

16. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/61/L.13)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.29)

(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference: draft resolution (A/61/L.26)

(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum: draft resolution (A/61/L.20/Rev.1)

(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: draft resolution (A/61/L.18)

(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.37)

17. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolution (A/61/L.15/Rev.1) [43]

18. Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: draft decision (A/61/L.40) [46]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 26th meeting — Conference Room 3

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

Capital master plan (A/61/549, A/61/5 (Vol. V) and A/61/595)

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Capital master plan (A/61/549, A/61/5 (Vol. V), A/61/595, A/61/264 (Part I), A/61/263 (Part I)/Add.1, A/61/264 (Part I)/Add.2, A/60/288, A/60/5 (Vol. V), A/58/556, A/58/712, A/59/161, A/59/420 and A/59/556))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 124, 132 and 149 (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the Millennium Summit; Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007; Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations; Human resources management; Joint Inspection Unit; Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; and United Nations reform: measures and proposals: Investing

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Committee.

in the United Nations: for a stronger Organization worldwide: detailed report: procurement reform (A/60/846/Add.5 and A/60/904); and Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on procurement practices within the United Nations system (A/59/721 and A/59/721/Add.1))

6 p.m. Informal "informal" consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Identification of additional resources for the Development Account (A/61/282 and A/61/479)); and agenda items 116 and 117 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations and Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Enhancing the role of the subregional offices of the Economic Commission for Africa (A/61/471 and A/61/544))

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

11 a.m.–1 p.m. 1st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations
2. Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mrs. Deidre Mills (Jamaica), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)) — Role of microcredit and microfinance in the eradication of poverty

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Ms. Natalia Quintavalle (Italy), under agenda item 57 (b) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: industrial development cooperation)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Raja Nushirwan Zainal Abidin (Malaysia), under agenda item 56 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 2.30 to 4 p.m. in the Delegates' Lounge.

Facilitator, (Côte d'Ivoire), under agenda item 69 (b) (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions) — Special economic assistance to Côte d'Ivoire

From 3 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Monday, 4 December 2006

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Back of Conference Room 1
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Back of Conference Room 1

Other meetings

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Monday, 4 December 2006

Group of 77 (on all outstanding Second Committee draft resolutions)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC) (experts on disabilities)

3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Permanent Mission of Nigeria.

Other activities

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Monday, 4 December 2006

Panel discussion on "E-accessibility", on the occasion of the International Day of Disabled Persons, and presentation of the results of global Web accessibility audit (organized by the Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Vanessa Edwards (e-mail edwardsv@un.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Monday, 4 December 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m.	H.E. Mr. Festus Gontebanye Mogae (Botswana) (on the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme)
12 noon	Press briefing by the Spokesman
1 p.m.	H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser (Qatar), President of the Security Council for December (on the programme of work of the Council)
2 p.m.	Ms. Jane Holl Lute, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; Ms. Kathleen Cravero, Assistant Administrator and Director, Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery, United Nations Development Programme; and Ms. Jasmine Whitbread, Chief Executive, Save the Children – United Kingdom (on the United Nations High-level Conference on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by United Nations and Non-Governmental Organizations Personnel)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Information meeting on the second round of informal consultations on the issue of the institutional framework for the environmental activities of the United Nations in follow-up to paragraph 169 of the World Summit Outcome Document[1]

10 a.m.–12 noon	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

[1] Chaired by H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico, and H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer, Permanent Representative of Switzerland. A letter was sent by fax to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations on Wednesday, 22 November 2006.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its informal consultations (closed) on Tuesday, 5 December 2006, at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

The Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities will hold its 21st meeting on Tuesday, 5 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All relevant documentation of the Ad Hoc Comm.ittee is available at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/enable/rights/ahc8.htm>.

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All Member States are invited to attend.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Arab Group

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

[For further information and registration, please visit <www.unitarny.org>; or contact Ms. Sarah Rosengaertner, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).]

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

African Group (Second Committe experts)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in tne Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in Conference Room 2:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Meeting of the Women's International Forum, with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the topic "The past ten years and beyond" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

Ceremony in commemoration of the sixty-fifth anniversary of the Moscow Battle of 1941 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Tuesday, 5 December 2006, at 5.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Zakharova, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation (tel. 1 (212) 861-4903).]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Intiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 1 December 2006

Security Council

5576th meeting

Letter dated 22 November 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/920)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Nepal, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/49).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

63rd plenary meeting

Question of Palestine [14]

(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/61/35)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/335)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.31, A/61/L.32, A/61/L.33 and A/61/L.34)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 14.

The representative of Senegal made a statement, in the course of which he orally revised draft resolution A/61/L.34.

By 101 votes to 7, with 62 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.31 (resolution 61/22).

By 101 votes to 7, with 62 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.32 (resolution 61/23).

By 157 votes to 7, with 9 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.33 (resolution 61/24).

By 157 votes to 7, with 10 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.34 (resolution 61/25), as orally revised.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 14.

The situation in the Middle East [13]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/298 and A/61/355)

(b) Draft resolutions (A/61/L.35 and A/61/L.36)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 13.

By 157 votes to 6, with 10 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.35 (resolution 61/26).

By 107 votes to 6, with 60 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.36 (resolution 61/27).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Brazil (also on behalf of Argentina), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United States.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement on a point of order.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Lebanon.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 13.

Main Committees

Second Committee

32nd meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council [42]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.46/Rev.1

The representative of Australia made a statement, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, and announced that the following countries had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Andorra, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Israel, Italy, Liechtenstein, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, San Marino, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

Subsequently, Austria, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Moldova, Monaco, Serbia and Norway also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Macroeconomic policy questions [51]

(a) International trade and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.14

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 107 to 1, with 52 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Brazil (on behalf of MERCOSUR). Also before the vote, statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova), the United States, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, Australia (also on behalf of New Zealand) and Canada.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic posed a question, to which the Chairperson responded.

After the vote, a statement in explanation of vote was made by the representative of Japan. Subsequently, the representative of Benin made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

(d) Commodities

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.2 and A/C.2/61/L.52

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.52 contained no programme budget implications.

The Rapporteur, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), made a statement, in which she orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.52, as orally corrected, after which draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.2 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Sustainable development: Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development [53 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.16 and A/C.2/61/L.51

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.16 contained no programme budget implications.

The Facilitator, Mr. Khaled El-Bakly (Egypt), made a statement, in which he announced that Barbados, Belarus, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, China, Cyprus, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, Honduras, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, Monaco, Mozambique, the Philippines, Singapore, Tajikistan and Thailand had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Angola, Austria, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Burundi, Cambodia, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Eritrea, the Gambia, Grenada, Hungary, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Lesotho, Malawi, Mongolia, Morocco, Peru, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, Tunisia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Viet Nam, Zambia and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil), in which he withdrew draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.51 and introduced the same text as draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.16/Rev.1.

Subsequent to the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.16/Rev.1, the representative of Japan made a statement.

Globalization and interdependence: International migration and development [55 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

*Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.12 and A/C.2/61/L.47**

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.47* contained no programme budget implications.

The Vice-Chairman, Mr. Aboubacar Sadikh Barry (Senegal), made a statement. Subsequently, the representative of Argentina made a statement.

Following the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and Indonesia made statements.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.47*, draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.12 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 55 (b).

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions [69 (b)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.10/Rev.2

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Angola made a statement, in which he announced that Antigua and Barbuda, Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Finland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Suriname, Ukraine and Zambia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, the following countries joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Afghanistan, Barbados, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chile, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Dominica, El Salvador, Eritrea, Gambia, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan, Jordan, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Netherlands, Niger, Portugal, Senegal, Spain, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago and United Republic of Tanzania.

Following the adoption of the draft resolution, the representative of Angola made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement.

The Secretary made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property, New York, 2 December 2004

Signature: Russian Federation (1 December 2006)

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism, New York, 13 April 2005

Signature: Singapore (1 December 2006)

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

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A/C.1/61/PV.19	Meeting held on 20 October 2006, 10 a.m. [A C E R]
A/C.1/61/PV.20	Meeting held on 25 October 2006, 3 p.m. [E]
A/C.1/61/PV.21	Meeting held on 26 October 2006, 3 p.m. [E]
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A/61/402	Item 110 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/416	Item 110 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/61/417	Item 118 — Programme planning — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/61/451	Item 75 — Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/454	Item 78 — Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/456	Item 80 — The rule of law at the national and international levels — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/457	Item 100 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/461	Item 148 — Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/589	Item 10 — The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict — Letter dated 17 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Botswana to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/590	Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Gender architecture for the United Nations: revised estimates to the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/598	Items 146 and 151 — Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan — Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste — Letter dated 15

November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.15/Rev.1 — Item 43 — Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin — Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Colombia, Congo, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Italy, Lebanon, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malta, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nigeria, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Samoa, Slovakia, Slovenia, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic and Timor-Leste: revised draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.26 — Item 108 (q) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference — Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Guyana, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Uzbekistan and Yemen: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.27 — Item 10 — The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict — Armenia, Barbados, Benin, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lesotho, Liberia, Namibia, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Thailand and Zimbabwe: draft resolution — The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.38 — Item 71 (b) — Oceans and the law of the sea: sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments — Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Finland, Iceland, Malta, Namibia, New Zealand, Norway, Tonga, Tunisia and United States of America: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.39 — Item 113 — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — South Africa: draft resolution — World Diabetes Day [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.40 — Item 46 — Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS — Botswana, Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, Thailand, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America: draft decision — International Voluntary HIV Counselling and Testing Day [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/61/INF/3 — Checklist of reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to the General Assembly on agenda items 28 to 39, 110 and 118 — Note by the Secretariat [E (only)]

Second Committee

A/C.261/L.10/Rev.2 — Item 69 (b) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions — Angola, Algeria, Argentina,

Austria, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Botswana, Brazil, Cape Verde, China, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Germany, Grenada, Guinea, Jamaica, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam and Zimbabwe: revised draft resolution — International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.21/Rev.1 Item 53 (a) — Sustainable development: implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development — Andorra, Belize, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Georgia, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Lesotho, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Poland, Russian Federation, Serbia, Singapore, Spain, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey: revised draft resolution — International Year of Forests, 2011 [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.46/Rev.1 Item 42 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Australia, Canada and Finland: revised draft resolution — Proclamation of international years [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.47* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E R S]

A/C.2/61/L.51 Item 53 (a) — Sustainable development: implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.16 — International Year of Sanitation 2008 [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/61/L.52 Item 51 (d) — Macroeconomic policy questions: commodities — Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur, the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.2 — International Year of Natural Fibres [A C E F R S]

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/61/13 Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/ES-10/L.20 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/61/14 Items 67 (c) and 117 — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Situation of human rights in Myanmar — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.38/Rev.1 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

A/AC.265/2006/L.7 Draft final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities on its resumed eighth session [A C E F R S]

A/AC.265/2006/L.8 Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities [A C E F R S]

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

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DP/2007/3	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Evaluation — Evaluation of UNDP assistance to conflict-affected countries — Executive summary [A C E F R S]

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ST/AI/2000/6/Amend.1	Administrative instruction — Special entitlements for staff members serving at designated duty stations [E F (only)]
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Chad/Sudan

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General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))

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Security Council

As from *today*, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

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3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 118 (Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14)/Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1)); and 125 (United Nations common system (A/61/30, A/61/381, A/61/484, A/60/723, A/60/30, A/60/30/Corr.1, A/59/263/Add.1, A/60/209, A/59/30 (Vol.II), A/59/153 and A/59/399));

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory
2. Situation of human rights in Myanmar
3. Draft report on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon
4. Draft report on the conditions of service and compensation for officials other than Secretariat officials
5. Executive session on the proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009
6. Executive session on security

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 4

1. Report of the Chairman of the Drafting Group of the Ad Hoc Committee
2. Adoption of the draft final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on its eighth session (A/AC.265/2006/L.7, A/AC.265/2006/L.7/Corr.1 and A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1)
3. Conclusion of the work of the Ad Hoc Committee at its eighth session

[*Note*: All relevant documentation of the Ad Hoc Committee is available at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/enable/rights/ahc8.htm>.]

General Assembly

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Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Giza Martins (Angola), under agenda item 57 (a) (Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 10 to 10.30 a.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m. (if needed) in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 1.15 to 1.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 4 to 6 p.m. (to be announced on QuickPlace, in the morning).

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Tuesday, 5 December 2006

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

9.15 a.m.–6 p.m. Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

1.15–2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 5 December 2006

JUSCANZ Group (on Third Committee matters)

9–9.45 a.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the themes for the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

10–11 a.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on all outstanding Second Committee draft resolutions)

11 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
1.15–2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

1.15 - 2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Other activities

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Tuesday, 5 December 2006

Meeting of the Women's International Forum, with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on the topic "The past ten years and beyond" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

Ceremony in commemoration of the sixty-fifth anniversary of the Moscow Battle of 1941 (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

At 5.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarsjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Zakharova, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation (tel. 1 (212) 861-4903).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 5 December 2006

Room S-226

11 a.m. Ms. Leonie Watson, Head of Accessibility, Nomensa; and Mr. Simon Norris, Managing Director, Nomensa (to the Global Audit of Web Accessibility)

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

1 p.m. Mr. James Davies, Professor and RBC Financial Group Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario; and Mr. Edward Wolff, Professor of Economics, New York University (on the study by the World Institute for Development Economics Research of the United Nations University entitled "The World Distribution of Household Wealth")

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. — 66th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]: specific meeting focused on development

3 p.m. — 67th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/61/386) [82]
2. Maintenance of international security – good-neighbourliness, stability and development in South-Eastern Europe: report of the First Committee (A/61/387) [83]
3. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/61/388) [84]
4. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security: report of the First Committee (A/61/389) [85]
5. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/390) [86]
6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/391) [87]
7. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/61/392) [88]
8. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/61/393) [89]
9. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/394) [90]
10. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/395) [91]
11. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/61/396) [92]
12. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/397) [93]
13. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/61/398) [94]
14. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/61/399) [95]
15. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/61/400) [96]

16. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/61/401) [97]

17. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/402) [110]

18. Programme planning: report of the First Committee (A/61/403) [118]

General Assembly

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Information meeting on the second round of informal consultations on the issue of the institutional framework for the environmental activities of the United Nations in follow-up to paragraph 169 of the World Summit Outcome Document[1]

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 6

[1] Chaired by H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico, and H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer, Permanent Representative of Switzerland. A letter was sent by fax to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations on Wednesday, 22 November 2006.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. Conference Room 5. It will also hold informal "informals" consultations (closed) at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Wednesday, 6 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document A/CN.10/L.58. All Member States are invited to attend.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests

Open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests

The open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests of the United Nations Forum on Forests will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 11 December, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda for the meeting is contained in document E/CN.18/AC.1/2006/1.

Delegations wishing to nominate experts, attend the session and be included in the list of participants are requested to send all related correspondence, including the composition of their delegations, to Ms. Barbara Tavora-Jainchill (room DC1-1258; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Further information on the meeting can be obtained at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/forests/adhoc-nlbi.html>.

Peacebuilding Commission

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing by the delegation of Angola with members of the Peacebuilding Commission and non-governmental organizations, to discuss peacebuilding priorities in Burundi and Sierra Leone, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the United Nations Reform and General Assembly Revitalization

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operation

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

African Group (Second Committee experts)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7; and

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal briefing for members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping on the standing police capacity and formed police units (organized by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).]

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in Conference Room 2:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (ambassadorial level)

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming activities

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Civil Society Forum on "Human rights and poverty: Voices from affected groups" (sponsored by the NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 6 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Special event on the theme "International Volunteers Day: A New York observance", the occasion of the International Volunteers Day for Economic and Social Development (5 December) (organized by the United Nations Volunteers New York Office)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org), or Ms. Kristy Darragh, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3634; e-mail kristy.darragh@undp.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Panel discussion on "Shining a light: Human rights abuses in North Korea" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Expert panel discussion on "Beyond charity: Rights, power and poverty" (sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child.

Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 4 December 2006

Security Council

5577th meeting

Protection of civilians in armed conflict

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Canada, Colombia, Finland, Israel, Lebanon, Myanmar and Norway, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Egeland.

Statements were made by the representatives of China, the United States, Ghana, Slovakia, France, the United Kingdom, Greece and Japan.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of Argentina, Denmark, Peru, the Congo, the United Republic of Tanzania and the Russian Federation, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Qatar.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Israel, Finland (speaking on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; and the EFTA country Iceland, member of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine, which aligned themselves with this statement), Colombia, Norway, Canada, Lebanon and Myanmar.

Mr. Egeland made a further statement.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

64th plenary meeting — *The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict* [10]

(a) Letter from Botswana transmitting the report on the progress made towards the implementation of the Kimberly Process Certification Scheme (A/61/589)

(b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.27)

H.E. Mr. Festus Gontebanye Mogae, President of the Republic of Botswana, addressed the General Assembly.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand), Namibia, the United States, the Russian Federation, Liberia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Sierra Leone and Angola.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3208 (XXIX) of 11 October 1974, the observer for the European Community made a statement (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement).

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/61/L.27 (resolution 61/28).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 10.

Reports of the Sixth Committee

The Rapporteur of the Sixth Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 33, 75 to 80, 100, 110, 118, 128, 148 and 153.

Under rule 66 of its rules of procedure, the General Assembly decided not to discuss the reports of the Sixth Committee which were before the Assembly.

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/450) [33]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/450) (resolution 61/29).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 33.

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/451) [75]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/451) (resolution 61/30).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 75.

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/452) [76]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/452) (resolution 61/31).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 76.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-ninth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/453) [77]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/61/453) (resolutions 61/32 and 61/33).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 77.

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/454) [78]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/61/454) (resolutions 61/34, 61/35 and 61/36).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 78.

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/455) [79]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/61/455) (resolutions 61/37 and 61/38).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 79.

The rule of law at the national and international levels: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/456) [80]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/61/456) (resolution 61/39).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 80.

Measures to eliminate international terrorism: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/457) [100]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/61/457) (resolution 61/40).

The representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela made a statement in explanation of vote, after the adoption of the draft resolution.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 100.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/458) [110]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/61/458).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Programme planning: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/459) [118]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Sixth Committee on agenda item 118 (A/61/459).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 118.

Administration of justice at the United Nations: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/460) [128]

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/61/460).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 128.

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/461) [148]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/61/461) (resolution 61/41).

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 148.

Requests for observer status in the General Assembly: report of the Sixth Committee (A/61/462) [153]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Sixth Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/61/462) (resolutions 61/42, 61/43 and 61/44).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 153.

Culture of peace: draft resolution (A/61/L.16) [44]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.16 (resolution 61/45).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 44.

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/61/L.13)

The representative of Philippines made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.13.

65th plenary meeting *Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations* [108]

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/61/L.13)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.29)

(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference: draft resolution (A/61/L.26)

(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum: draft resolution (A/61/L.20/Rev.1)

(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization: draft resolution (A/61/L.18)

(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: draft resolution (A/61/L.37)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-items (c), (e), (q), (r), (s) and (t) of agenda item 108.

The representative of Ukraine made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.18.

The representative of Fiji made a statement (on behalf of the South Pacific Forum), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.20/Rev.1.

The representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines made a statement (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.29.

The representative of Lesotho made a statement (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.37.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the draft resolutions before it under the item.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.13 (resolution 61/46) without a vote.

By 133 votes to 1, with no abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.18 (resolution 61/47).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.20/Rev.1 (resolution 61/48) without a vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.26 (resolution 61/49) without a vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.29 (resolution 61/50) without a vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.37 (resolution 61/51) without a vote.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement) made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of Solomon Islands made a statement, after the adoption of the draft resolution

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-items (c), (e), (q), (r), (s) and (t) of agenda item 108.

Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolutions (A/61/L.15/Rev.1) [43]

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement, in the course of which he orally corrected draft resolution A/61/L.15/Rev.1.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/61/L.15/Rev.1, as orally corrected (resolution 61/52).

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement in explanation of vote.

H.E. Mr. George Voulgarakis, Minister of Culture of Greece, made a statement, after the adoption of the draft resolution

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 43.

Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: draft decision (A/61/L.40) [46]

The General Assembly adopted draft decision A/61/L.40 without a vote.

The representatives of Brazil (on behalf of the Southern Common Market and associated states), India and Australia (also on behalf of Canada, Japan and Norway) made statements in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 46.

Programme of work

The General Assembly decided to extend the work of the Second Committee until Wednesday, 6 December 2006.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

26th meeting

Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and Kuwait on the capital master plan.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would continue on that day, Monday, 4 December, following the adjournment of the formal meeting in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Mohammed Najib Elji (Syrian Arab Republic).

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

1st meeting

The Vice-President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Deputy Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a statement.

The Ad Hoc Committee heard statements by the representatives of Sweden, Bahrain, the Netherlands, Egypt, Turkey, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Denmark, Austria, Japan, Belgium, Slovenia, China, Norway, the United States, the Republic of Korea, the United Arab Emirates and France, as well as by the observers for the Holy See and the European Community.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

The Deputy Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979

Objection to reservations made by Brunei Darussalam upon accession: Estonia (4 December 2006)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Oman upon accession: Estonia (4 December 2006)[1]

Convention for the Suppression of the Circulation of, and Traffic in, Obscene Publications, concluded at Geneva on 12 September 1923 and amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, on 12 November 1947. New York, 12 November 1947

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Agreement for the Suppression of the Circulation of Obscene Publications, signed at Paris on 4 May 1910, amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949. New York, 4 May 1949

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Ratification: India (1 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Monday, 4 December 2006.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
	Sixty-first session
A/61/PV.31	Meeting held on 13 October 2006, 3 p.m. [R]
A/61/PV.36	Meeting held on 19 October 2006, 10 a.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.37	Meeting held on 19 October 2006, 3 p.m. [A E]
A/61/PV.38	Meeting held on 20 October 2006, 10 a.m. [E]

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

A/AC.109/2006/SR.5 Meeting held on 6 June 2006, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

General Assembly	Documents
	Sixty-first session
A/61/394	Item 90 — General and complete disarmament — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/459	Item 118 — Programme planning — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/597	Item 121 — Pattern of conferences — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/61/600–S/2006/925	Items 13 and 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Letter dated 29 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.29*	Reissued for technical reasons [S (only)]
A/61/L.31/Add.1	Item 14 — Question of Palestine — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People — Lao People's Democratic Republic [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.35/Add.1	Item 13 — The situation in the Middle East — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen and Palestine: draft resolution — Jerusalem — Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) [A C E F R S]
A/RES/61/20	Item 58 — Commemoration of the sixtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/61/L.9	Item 134 — Draft resolution submitted by the Chairman following informal consultations — Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire [A C E F R S]
	Tenth emergency special session
A/RES/ES-10/16	Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [A C E F R S]

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities Resumed eighth session

A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1
Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities [A C E F R S]

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

A/CN.10/L.58 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

A/CN.10/L.59 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

Security Council	Documents
S/2006/837	Letter dated 23 October 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/901	Letter dated 15 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/61/600–S/2006/925	Letter dated 29 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2006/926	Letter dated 28 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/930	Letter dated 30 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/931	Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus [A C E F R S]
S/2006/934	Letter dated 30 November 2006 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/PRST/2006/49	Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5576	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

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Official meetings

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Security Council

10 a.m.	5578th meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly

Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo[2]

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5578th meeting.

[2] With a view to a formal meeting.

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	66th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]; Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]: specific meeting focused on development

3 p.m.	67th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Reduction of military budgets: report of the First Committee (A/61/386) [82]
2. Maintenance of international security – good-neighbourliness, stability and development in South-Eastern Europe: report of the First Committee (A/61/387) [83]

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The General Assembly will hold a special commemorative meeting devoted to the sixtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund, on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 10.15 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, in accordance with paragraph 5 of resolution 61/20 of 28 November 2006.

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3. Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification: report of the First Committee (A/61/388) [84]
4. Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security: report of the First Committee (A/61/389) [85]
5. Role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/390) [86]
6. Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/391) [87]
7. Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons: report of the First Committee (A/61/392) [88]
8. Prevention of an arms race in outer space: report of the First Committee (A/61/393) [89]
9. General and complete disarmament: report of the First Committee (A/61/394) [90]
10. Review and implementation of the Concluding Document of the Twelfth Special Session of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/395) [91]
11. Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the First Committee (A/61/396) [92]
12. The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East: report of the First Committee (A/61/397) [93]
13. Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects: report of the First Committee (A/61/398) [94]
14. Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region: report of the First Committee (A/61/399) [95]
15. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty: report of the First Committee (A/61/400) [96]
16. Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction: report of the First Committee (A/61/401) [97]
17. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly: report of the First Committee (A/61/402) [110]
18. Programme planning: report of the First Committee (A/61/403) [118]

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Information meeting on the second round of informal consultations on the issue of the institutional framework for the environmental activities of the United Nations in follow-up to paragraph 169 of the World Summit Outcome Document[1]

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 6

[1] Chaired by H.E. Mr. Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico, and H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer, Permanent Representative of Switzerland. A letter was sent by fax to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations on Wednesday, 22 November 2006.

Main Committees

Second Committee

3 p.m. 33rd meeting Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: External debt crisis and development [51 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.6 and A/C.2/61/L.54

2. Macroeconomic policy questions: Commodities [51 (d)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.7 and A/C.2/61/L.56

3. Sustainable development: Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development [53 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.21/Rev.1

4. Sustainable development: International Strategy for Disaster Reduction [53 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.25 and A/C.2/61/L.58

5. Sustainable development: Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa [53 (e)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.31 and A/C.2/61/L.55

6. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and the strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) [54]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.17 and A/C.2/61/L.57

7. Globalization and interdependence: Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption [55 (d)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.20 and A/C.2/61/L.53

8. Groups of countries in special situations: Third United Nations Conference of the Least Developed Countries [56 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.37 and A/C.2/61/L.64

9. Eradication of poverty and other development issues: Implementation of the First United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) [57 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.39 and A/C.2/61/L.63

10. Training and research: United Nations University [59 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.36/Rev.1

11. Programme planning [118]

Action on draft decision A/C.2/61/L.50

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . **Informal consultations (closed)** . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/61/11, A/61/68, A/60/140, A/60/140/Corr.1, A/58/189, A/56/767 and A/C.5/61/11))

6 p.m. . . . . **Informal "informal" consultations (closed)** . . . . . Conference Room 5

Agenda items 124 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/61/30 and A/60/659)); 115 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/61/5 (Vol. I), A/61/5 (Vol. III), A/61/5 (Vol. IV), A/61/5/Add.1, A/61/5/Add.2, A/61/5/Add.3, A/61/5/Add.4, A/61/5/Add.5, A/61/5/Add.6, A/61/5/Add.7, A/61/5/Add.8, A/61/5/Add.9, A/61/5/Add.11, A/61/5/Add.11/Corr.1, A/61/5/Add.12, A/61/61/5/Add.12/Corr.1, A/61/182, A/61/214, A/61/214/Add.1 and A/61/350)); and 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Contingent liability reserve for the United Nations Postal Administration (A/61/295 and A/61/480))

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . **276th meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 4

Provisional agenda

1. **Opening of the session**
2. **Adoption of the agenda (A/CN.10/L.58)**
3. **Election of the Chairman and other officers**
4. **Review of the draft resolution submitted to the First Committee at the sixty-first session of the General Assembly relating to the Disarmament Commission**
5. **Draft provisional agenda for the substantive session of the Disarmament Commission in 2007**
6. **Organizational matters**
7. **Other business**

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . **Closed meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . **Closed meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. **Draft report**
2. **Executive session on : (a) Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2008-2009; (b) Strengthened and unified security management system for the United Nations; (c) Establishment of the United Nations Register of Damage caused by the Construction of the Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory; and (d) Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/61/14)**
3. **Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council**

General Assembly
Sixty-first session

Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development

From 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission
Informal consultations

The delegation of Angola will hold informal consultations (closed) of the ad hoc working group on pending issues in the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission *today*, 6 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Informal consultations on programme planning, under agenda item 118 (Third Committee) (convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Lamin Faati (Gambia))

9.15 a.m.–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Back of Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies, under agenda item 157 (convened by the delegation of Qatar)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 6 December 2006

JUSCANZ Group (on Second Committee matters)

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the United Nations Reform and General Assembly Revitalization

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

African Group (Second Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on all outstanding Second Committee draft resolutions)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Other activities

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Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Civil Society Forum on "Human rights and poverty: Voices from affected groups" (sponsored by the NGO Committee on Human Rights, in cooperation with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Briefing on "Carbon dioxide capture and storage" (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Friedrich Soltau, Division for Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 963-4337; fax 1 (212) 963-9883; e-mail soltau@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Addressing sexual violence in Liberia" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Belgium and Liberia and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

From 3 to 5 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Cécile Mazzacurati (tel. 1 (212) 297-5202).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Room S-226

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 7 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. — 68th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea [71]

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/63 and A/61/63/Add.1)

(ii) Report of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (A/61/65)

(iii) Report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its seventh meeting (A/61/156)

(iv) Draft resolution (A/61/L.30)

(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/154)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/61/L.38)

Main Committees

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its 55th meeting on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 10 a.m., to consider agenda item 118 (Programme planning). The conference room will be announced.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 27th meeting on Thursday, 7 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. It will also hold informal consultations (closed), following the adjournment of the formal meeting and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Informal "informal" consultations (closed) will also be held at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts

The Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Ad Hoc Working Group will consider the revised draft model memorandum of understanding between the United Nations and [participating State] contributing resources to [the United Nations Peacekeeping Operation] (A/61/494), and the draft United Nations policy statement and draft United Nations comprehensive strategy on assistance and support to victims of sexual exploitation and abuse by United Nations staff or related personnel (A/60/877). The meetings will be closed.

Resumed session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold a resumed session on Monday, 18 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to consider the findings of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, DPKO (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by H.E. Mr. Dalius Čekuolis (Lithuania), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, on Friday, 8 December 2006, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room D, on the draft decision of the Economic and Social Council on the contributions of relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, including functional and regional commissions, and the organizations of the United Nations system to the Annual Ministerial Review and the Development Cooperation Forum.

United Nations Forum on Forests

Open ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests

The open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests of the United Nations Forum on Forests will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 11 December, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda for the meeting is contained in document E/CN.18/AC.1/2006/1.

Delegations wishing to nominate experts, attend the session and be included in the list of participants are requested to send all related correspondence, including the composition of their delegations, to Ms. Barbara Tavora-Jainchill (room DC1-1258; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Further information on the meeting can be obtained at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/forests/adhoc-nlbi.html>.

Peacebuilding Commission

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing by the delegation of Angola with members of the Peacebuilding Commission and non-governmental organizations, to discuss peacebuilding priorities in Burundi and Sierra Leone, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operation

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal briefing for members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping on the standing police capacity and formed police units (organized by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).]

Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in the *Economic and Social Council Chamber*:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

Friends of the International Criminal Court (briefing by the Prosecutor of the Court)

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

African Group (Second Committe experts)

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (ambassadorial level)

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming activities

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High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Special event on the theme "International Volunteers Day: A New York observance", on the occasion of the International Volunteers Day for Economic and Social Development (5 December) (organized by the United Nations Volunteers New York Office)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org); or Ms. Kristy Darragh, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3634; e-mail kristy.darragh@undp.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Intiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Panel discussion on "Shining a light: Human rights abuses in North Korea" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Thursday, 7 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Expert panel discussion on "Beyond charity: Rights, power and poverty" (sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

United Nations Development Programme (first meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2007*)

Friday, 15 December 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Special event on the theme "The protection of migrants' rights: Opportunities and challenges in the wake of the high-level dialogue and the preparations for its follow-up", on the occasion of the International Migrants Day (co-sponsored by the NGO Committee on Migration and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM))

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend.]

High-level panel discussion in observance of the United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation, on the theme "New dynamics of South-South and triangular partnerships for development" (organized by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme)

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[The panel discussion will be followed by the South-South Partnership Awards ceremony. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rogel Nuguid, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation (tel. 1 (212) 906-6944; e-mail rogel.nuguid@undp.org); or visit the Web site of the Special Unit at the following address: <http://ssc.undp.org>.]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child: and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 5 December 2006

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

21st meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Ms. Louise Arbour, and the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs Mr. José Antonio Ocampo.

The Chairman of the Drafting Group of the Ad Hoc Committee, Mr. Stefan Barriga (Liechtenstein), presented an oral report on the work of the Group. The Committee took note of the report.

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Egypt, Costa Rica, Mexico and Iraq made statements.

22nd meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Iraq (on behalf of the Arab Group), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Israel, Monaco, Norway, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United States) and Costa Rica. The representative of Finland made a further statement.

The Committee decided to delete the footnote to Article 12 of the Convention.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee read the oral statement on programme budget implications of the draft resolution A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1.

The Committee adopted the draft final report, as contained in document A/AC.265/2006/L.7 and A/AC.265/2006/L.7/Corr.1, with the text of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, as amended, and the Optional Protocol thereto, and recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolution A/AC.265/2006/L.8/Rev.1.

The representative of Gabon made a statement, on behalf of the African Union.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the national institutions for human rights, the International Disability Caucus and the Communication Coordination Committee for the United Nations.

The Chairman made a concluding statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Women and Children, concluded at Geneva on 30 September 1921, as amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, on 12 November 1947. Lake Success, 12 November 1947

Succession to the Convention as amended by the Protocol: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Agreement for the Suppression of the White Slave Traffic, signed at Paris on 18 May 1904, amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949. Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949

Succession to the Agreement as amended by the Protocol: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the White Slave Traffic, signed at Paris on 4 May 1910, amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949. Lake Success, New York, 4 May 1949

Succession to the Convention as amended by the Protocol: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Final Protocol to the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Signature: Jamaica (5 December 2006)

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Moldova (5 December 2006)[1]

Convention on biological diversity. Rio de Janeiro, 5 June 1992

Succession: Montenegro (23 October 2006)[1]

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Ratification: Lithuania (5 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

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Resumed eighth session

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Security Council

10 a.m.	5581st meeting	Security Council Chamber

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General Assembly

Sixty-first session

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Oceans and the law of the sea [71]

(a) Oceans and the law of the sea

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/63 and A/61/63/Add.1)

(ii) Report of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction (A/61/65)

(iii) Report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its seventh meeting (A/61/156)

(iv) Draft resolution (A/61/L.30)

(b) Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/154)

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General Assembly

Sixty-first session

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Fifth Committee

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1. Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 [117]

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Agenda items 47, 113, 116, 117, 122, 123, 124, 132 and 149 (Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; Follow-up to the Millennium Summit; Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations; Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007; Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations; Human resources management; Joint Inspection Unit; Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; and United Nations reform: measures and proposals: Investing in the United Nations: for a stronger Organization worldwide: detailed report: procurement reform (A/60/846/Add.5, A/60/846/Add.5/Corr.1 and A/60/904); and Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on procurement practices within the United Nations system (A/59/721 and A/59/721/Add.1))

1.15–2.45 p.m. — Informal "informal" consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Agenda item 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Capital master plan (A/61/549, A/61/5 (Vol. V), A/61/595, A/61/264 (Part I), A/61/263 (Part I)/Add.1, A/61/264 (Part I)/Add.2, A/60/288, A/60/5 (Vol. V), A/58/556, A/58/712, A/59/161, A/59/420 and A/59/556))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Committee.

3–6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))	
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	Agenda item 118 (Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14)/Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1)); and	
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General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.45 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	1. Persons with disabilities	
	2. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council	

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Organizational Committee

3–5 p.m.	2nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
	1. Organizational matters	
	2. Preparations for the upcoming country-specific meetings on Burundi and Sierra Leone (with the participation of members of the country-specific committees)	

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Thursday, 7 December 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), under agenda item 62 (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Other meetings

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Thursday, 7 December 2006

UNITAR Workshop on International Trade and the Doha Round, in collaboration with the World Trade Organization (WTO)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on all outstanding Second Committee issues)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operation

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Informal briefing for members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping on the standing police capacity and formed police units (organized by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Other activities

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Thursday, 7 December 2006

High-level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

From 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Hee-Kyong Yoo (fax 1 (212) 963-1312; e-mail yoo@un.org).]

International Conference on Enhancing Security at Major World Events (organized by the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Marina Mazzini, UNICRI (e-mail mazzini@unicri.it); or Mr. Janos Tisovszky, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (917) 367-2068; fax 1 (212) 963-9737; e-mail tisovszky@un.org).]

Special event on the theme "International Volunteers Day: A New York observance", on the occasion of the International Volunteers Day for Economic and Social Development (5 December) (organized by the United Nations Volunteers New York Office)

From 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org); or Ms. Kristy Darragh, UNV New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 906-3634; e-mail kristy.darragh@undp.org).]

Panel discussion on "Extractive Industries Transparency Intiative: Improving transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, and promoting improved governance in resource rich countries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom)

From 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sam Pass, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom (tel. 1 (212) 745-9215; e-mail samantha.pass@fco.gov.uk).]

Panel discussion on "Shining a light: Human rights abuses in North Korea" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Special event on the theme "The impact of HIV and AIDS on children and families", on the occasion of World AIDS Day (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Thailand and Zambia, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the CONGO NGO Committee on Children's Rights, in partnership with the NGO Committees on Ageing, the Family, HIV/AIDS, Human Rights and the Status of Women)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Thursday, 7 December 2006

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon	Mr. Jan Egeland, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator (on the High-Level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF))
5.15 p.m.	Members of the Board of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI): Mr. Peter Eigen, Chairman; Mr. Shahmar Movsumov, Executive Director, State Oil Fund, Azerbaijan; Mr. Christian Mounzeo, President, Rencontre pour la paix et les droits de l'homme (Congo); Dr. Carlos Monge, President, Grupo Propuesta Ciudadana; and Mr. Georg Kell, Executive Head, Global Compact Office (on the first meeting of the Board of EITI)

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 8 December 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10.15 a.m.[1] 70th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Operational activities for development: operational activities for development of the United Nations system: special commemorative meeting devoted to the sixtieth anniversary of the operations of the United Nations Children's Fund [58]

[1] All delegations are invited to a video presentation, entitled "Great moments in UNICEF history", at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

General Assembly

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Informal consultations on agenda item 69 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and its sub-items (a) and (d)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 69 and sub-items (a) and (d), chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg), will be held on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Main Committees

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its 55th meeting on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 10 a.m., to consider agenda item 118 (Programme planning). The conference room will be announced.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed), on Friday, 8 December 2006, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Informal "informal" consultations (closed) will also be held at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII, at the Palais des Nations.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts

The Ad Hoc Working Group of Experts on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Ad Hoc Working Group will consider the revised draft model memorandum of understanding between the United Nations and [participating State] contributing resources to [the United Nations Peacekeeping Operation] (A/61/494), and the draft United Nations policy statement and draft United Nations comprehensive strategy on assistance and support to victims of sexual exploitation and abuse by United Nations staff or related personnel (A/60/877). The meetings will be closed.

Resumed session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold a resumed session on Monday, 18 December 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to consider the findings of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, DPKO (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by H.E. Mr. Dalius Čekuolis (Lithuania), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, on Friday, 8 December 2006, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room D, on the draft decision of the Economic and Social Council on the contributions of relevant subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council, including functional and regional commissions, and the organizations of the United Nations system to the Annual Ministerial Review and the Development Cooperation Forum.

Resumed substantive session for 2006

The next meeting of the resumed substantive session of the Economic and Social Council will be held on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Meeting to commemorate International Human Solidarity Day

There will be a meeting of the Economic and Social Council to commemorate the International Human Solidarity Day, on Friday, 15 December 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Speakers will include H.E. Mrs. Haya Rashed Al-Khalifa, President of the General Assembly, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Anwarul Chowdhury, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, and Mr. Ad Melkert, Associate Administrator, United Nations Development Programme.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

For further information please contact Ms. Ursula Germann, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4285; e-mail germann@un.org).

United Nations Forum on Forests

Open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests

The open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests of the United Nations Forum on Forests will meet from 11 to 15 December 2006. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 11 December, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional annotated agenda for the meeting is contained in document E/CN.18/AC.1/2006/1.

Delegations wishing to nominate experts, attend the session and be included in the list of participants are requested to send all related correspondence, including the composition of their delegations, to Ms. Barbara Tavora-Jainchill (room DC1-1258; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Further information on the meeting can be obtained at the following address: <www.un.org/esa/forests/adhoc-nlbi.html>.

United Nations Children's

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (16-18 January 2007) will take place on Thursday, 14 December 2006, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The briefing will focus, in particular, on the following agenda items: UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the biennium ended 31 December 2005 and the report of the Board of Auditors (item 8 on the provisional annotated agenda); Supplementary support budget for crisis management and business continuity capacity (item 9 on the provisional annotated agenda); Integrated approaches for achieving the Millennium Development Goals: lessons from Africa (special focus item) (item 4 on the provisional annotated agenda); Ending Child Hunger and Undernutrition Initiative (item 6 on the provisional annotated agenda); and Provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in document E/ICEF/2007/1. All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session

The first regular session of the Executive Board will take place from 16 to 18 January 2007 in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2007/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_25993.html>.

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than *Friday, 5 January 2007*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of WFP, will be held on Friday, 19 January, and on Monday, 22 January 2007, in Conference Room 2.

Peacebuilding Commission
Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing by the delegation of Angola with members of the Peacebuilding Commission and non-governmental organizations, to discuss peacebuilding priorities in Burundi and Sierra Leone, on Monday, 11 December 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Briefing and informal exchange of ideas with delegates regarding the open-ended ad hoc expert group on the consideration of the content of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests (New York, 11–15 December 2006) (organized by the Bureau of the seventh session of the United Nations Forum on Forests and the secretariat of the Forum)

Friday, 8 December 2006, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber:

African States Group: from 10 to 11.30 a.m.;

Asian States Group: from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Eastern European Group: from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m.;

Latin American and Caribbean States Group: from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and

Western European and Other States Group: from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Friends of the International Criminal Court (briefing by the Prosecutor of the Court)

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

African Group (Second Committe experts)

Wednesday, 13 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

UNITAR/UNU Seminar on "The role and functions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations"

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt, UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (ambassadorial level)

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming activities

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Expert panel discussion on "Beyond charity: Rights, power and poverty" (sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Friday, 8 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021).]

Briefing on "AIDS in Latin America and the Caribbean" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of El Salvador and Grenada, with the support of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS))

Thursday, 14 December 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All delegations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Dr. Victor Ortega, UNAIDS (e-mail vortega@unicef.org).]

United Nations Development Programme (first meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2007*)

Friday, 15 December 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Special event on the theme "The protection of migrants' rights: Opportunities and challenges in the wake of the high-level dialogue and the preparations for its follow-up", on the occasion of the International Migrants Day (co-sponsored by the NGO Committee on Migration and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM))

Monday, 18 December 2006, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B.

[All are invited to attend.]

High-level panel discussion in observance of the United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation, on the theme "New dynamics of South-South and triangular partnerships for development" (organized by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme)

Tuesday, 19 December 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[The panel discussion will be followed by the South-South Partnership Awards ceremony. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rogel Nuguid, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation (tel. 1 (212) 906-6944; e-mail rogel.nuguid@undp.org); or visit the Web site of the Special Unit at the following address: <http://ssc.undp.org>.]

Announcements

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

Preparations for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women (26 February–9 March 2007), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives to eliminate all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child; and (b) Capacity-building on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the development, implementation and evaluation of national policies and programmes for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae, which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the panel discussions. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or volfova@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Monday, 8 January 2007*.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 5 December 2006, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 6 December 2006

Security Council

5578th meeting — *Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard an explanatory statement by Mr. Tuliameni Kalomoh, Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council adopted its draft report to the General Assembly without a vote.

The President stated that the decision of the Council would be reflected in a note by the President of the Council, to be issued as document S/2006/942.

5579th meeting — *The situation in Somalia*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Somalia, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2006/940, submitted by the Congo, Ghana, the United Republic of Tanzania and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2006/940) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2006/940) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1725 (2006).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Congo and the United Republic of Tanzania, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Qatar.

5580th meeting — *The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, at her request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2006/50).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

66th plenary meeting

Typhoon in the Philippines

The Acting President, on behalf of the General Assembly, extended her deepest sympathy to the Government and the people of the Philippines for the tragic loss of life and material damage that have resulted from the recent typhoon.

The representative of the Philippines made a statement.

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields [47]

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda items 47 and 113 to hold a specific meeting focused on development, including an assessment of progress over the previous year, in accordance with Assembly resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006.

The Acting President of the General Assembly delivered a statement by the President.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), the Netherlands, Uganda, Saudi Arabia, Jamaica, the United States, Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Switzerland and Cuba.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of agenda items 47 and 113.

67th plenary meeting

The summary of the 67th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/236).

Main Committees

Second Committee

33rd meeting

The summary of the 33rd meeting of the Second Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2006/236).

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session

276th meeting

Opening of the session [1]

The organizational session of the Commission was opened by Chairperson, H.E. Mr. Oh Joon (Republic of Korea).

Adoption of the agenda [2]

The Commission adopted the provisional agenda for its organizational session, as contained in document A/CN.10/L.58.

Election of the Chairman and other officers [3]

The representative of the Republic of Korea made a statement.

The Commission elected H.E. Mr. Elbio Rosselli (Uruguay) as Chairman.

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Grenada, Croatia and Malta.

The Commission elected the representatives of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany, Peru, Poland and Switzerland as Vice-Chairpersons.

The Commission decided to take up election of the Rapporteur and the other Vice-Chairpersons at a later stage, upon completion of the consultations by the regional groups.

Draft provisional agenda for the substantive session of the Disarmament Commission in 2007 [5]

The Commission considered and adopted the draft provisional agenda for its 2007 substantive session, as contained in document A/CN.10/L.59.

The Commission took note of the general programme of work and the timetable for the session (A/CN.10/2007/CRP.1).

Organizational matters [6]

The Commission decided to re-establish Working Groups I and II to consider, respectively, agenda items 4 and 5 of its 2007 substantive session (A/CN.10/L.59).

The Chairman made a closing statement.

Corrigendum

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities
Resumed eighth session

Corrigendum to the summary of the 22nd meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee (see *Journal* No. 2006/234, p. 15): the second paragraph *should read* as follows:

> Statements were made by the representatives of Iraq (on behalf of the Arab Group), Finland (on behalf of the European Union and Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, *Bulgaria*, Canada, Israel, Monaco, Norway, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the United States) and Costa Rica. The representative of Finland made a further statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3): Peru (1 December 2006)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Dominican Republic (6 December 2006)[1]

International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations. Rome, 26 October 1961

Accession: Viet Nam (1 December 2006)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
H.E. Mr. Aboubacar Ibrahim Abani

Asian States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hamidon Ali

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mrs. Mirjana Mladineo

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Grenada
H.E. Ms. Ruth Elizabeth Rouse

Western European and other States:
Malta
H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 6 December 2006.

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	Third Committee
A/C.3/61/SR.2	Meeting held on 2 October 2006, 3 p.m. [A C E F R S]
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A/61/403*	Reissued for technical reasons [E (only)]
A/61/525/Add.3	Item 117 — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — Thematic cluster III. United Nations offices, peacebuilding support offices, integrated offices and commissions — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/607–S/2006/937	Item 13 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 4 December 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/61/608–S/2006/941	Items 13 and 14 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Identical letters dated 5 December 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.15/Rev.1/Add.1	Item 43 — Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin — Afghanistan, Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Colombia, Congo, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Italy, Lebanon, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malta, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nigeria, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Samoa, Slovakia, Slovenia, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic and Timor-Leste: revised draft resolution — Algeria, Angola, Belarus, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Canada, Central African Republic, Croatia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Gabon, Georgia, Guinea, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Kuwait, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Moldova, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Serbia, Spain, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Ukraine and Yemen [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.16/Add.1	Item 44 — Culture of peace — Bangladesh: draft resolution — International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the Children of the World, 2001-2010 — Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Barbados,

Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Micronesia (Federated States of), Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.20/Rev.1/Add.1 Item 108 (r) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum — Armenia, Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Croatia, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Fiji, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Israel, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Nauru, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Romania, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Ukraine, United States of America, Vanuatu and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): draft resolution — Algeria, Chile, Comoros, Dominican Republic, Guinea, Honduras, Italy, Nepal, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.26/Add.1 Item 108 (q) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference — Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cameroon, Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Guyana, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Suriname, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Uzbekistan and Yemen: draft resolution — Brunei Darussalam, Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.27/Add.1 Item 10 — Armenia, Barbados, Benin, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lesotho, Liberia, Namibia, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Thailand and Zimbabwe: draft resolution — The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts — Australia, Austria, Belarus, Central African Republic, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Guinea, Guyana, Indonesia, Latvia, Lesotho, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Mauritius, Moldova, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Ukraine and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.29/Add.1 Item 108 (e) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community — Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana,

	Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago: draft resolution — Chile, Comoros, Cuba, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Honduras, Liberia, Nicaragua, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Thailand, Tuvalu, Zambia and Zimbabwe [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.37/Add.1	Item 108 (t) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community — Angola, Belgium, Botswana, Cape Verde, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Japan, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Timor-Leste, Togo, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe: draft resolution — Comoros, Czech Republic, Honduras and Madagascar [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.40/Add.1	Item 46 — Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS — Botswana, Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, Thailand, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America: draft decision — International Voluntary HIV Counselling and Testing Day — Barbados, Cambodia, Comoros, Ethiopia, Fiji, Georgia, Grenada, Honduras, Israel, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Uganda and Viet Nam [A C E F R S]
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A/C.2/61/L.54	Item 51 (c) — Macroeconomic policy questions: external debt crisis and development — Draft resolution submitted by the Rapporteur of the Committee (Portugal), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.6 [A C E F R S]
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A/C.2/61/L.57	Item 54 — Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman (Brazil),

	on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.17 [A C E F R S]
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A/61/607–S/2006/937	Identical letters dated 4 December 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
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Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

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Responses to the list of issues and questions with regard to the consideration of the sixth periodic report — Austria [A C E F R S]

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